

**Come visit** with us and enjoy the rural beauty, history and charm of Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains and the Shenandoah Valley. Whether you are taking a walking tour of Berryville, or a driving tour of the countryside, you will find something for everyone in Clarke County.

See our historic sites and homes, go cycling on our scenic roads, canoe and fish on the Shenandoah River, go horseback riding, play golf, take a balloon ride or hike the Appalachian Trail. There are a wide variety of restaurants in the county— from country cooking to fast food, ethnic cuisine to fine dining—that are sure to please everyone. Perhaps your most lingering memory of the area will be the people you meet ... people who ask “how are you doing” and listen when you respond.

You will find Clarke County to be a truly unique experience. The bustling air of the built-up areas to the east seems to soften as you cross the Blue Ridge. The Shenandoah flows serene, and tensions ebb as you watch its stately progress. Come visit with us in Clarke County, Virginia's best kept secret!



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# Explore CLARKE COUNTY VIRGINIA

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the natural  
beauty of the  
Blue Ridge  
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**Clarke County**, named for Revolutionary War hero, George Rogers Clarke, was formed in 1836 from Frederick County. This area was part of Lord Fairfax's 5 million acre property. A young George Washington surveyed the area for Lord Fairfax. In the latter part of the 18th century many descendants of Tidewater Virginia's most prestigious families moved here, bringing with them their plantation lifestyle and love of fox hunting.

During the Civil War, Clarke County was in the midst of Col. John Singleton Mosby's theater of operations. There are many well-marked sites of his skirmishes within the county. Confederate General Jubal Early's army fought the Battle of Cool Spring along the Shenandoah River and General Robert E. Lee, whose wife was born in Clarke County, camped here on his way to Gettysburg. The Civil War devastated the area, but many of the old plantation homes survived and still stand today. Open fields dominate the landscape and preserve the rural setting that the people of Clarke County cherish.



# Annual Events

## SPRING

- Blue Ridge Hunt Point-to-Point Races
- Clarke County Day at Historic Long Branch
  - Art Show at the Burwell-Morgan Mill
  - Shawnee Kennel Club Dog Show
- State Arboretum of Virginia Plant Show & Sale
  - Horse Shows at the Fairgrounds
  - Berryville Barns Festival
- Historic Garden Week in VA Tour

## SUMMER

- Horse Shows at the Fairgrounds
- Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration at the Fairgrounds
  - Firemen's Yard Party
- Shenandoah Valley Steam & Gas Engine Show & Antique Market
- The Clarke County Fair

• Clarke County Farmers' Market  
Open June thru October



● Towns

● Antiques

● Recreation

● Attractions

● Lodging

✂ Civil War Sites

- Recreation
1. Appalachian Trail

2. VA National Golf Club

3. Clarke County Parks and Recreation

4. Public Boat Ramps

5. Watermelon Park Recreation Area

6. Raven Rock-Climbing

7. Riverhawk Tours Fishing & Sightseeing

- Attractions
1. Holy Cross Abbey/Gift Shop

2. Veramar Vineyard

3. Clarke Co. Historical Assoc. Museum

4. Clarke County Fair (August)

5. Burwell-Morgan Mill

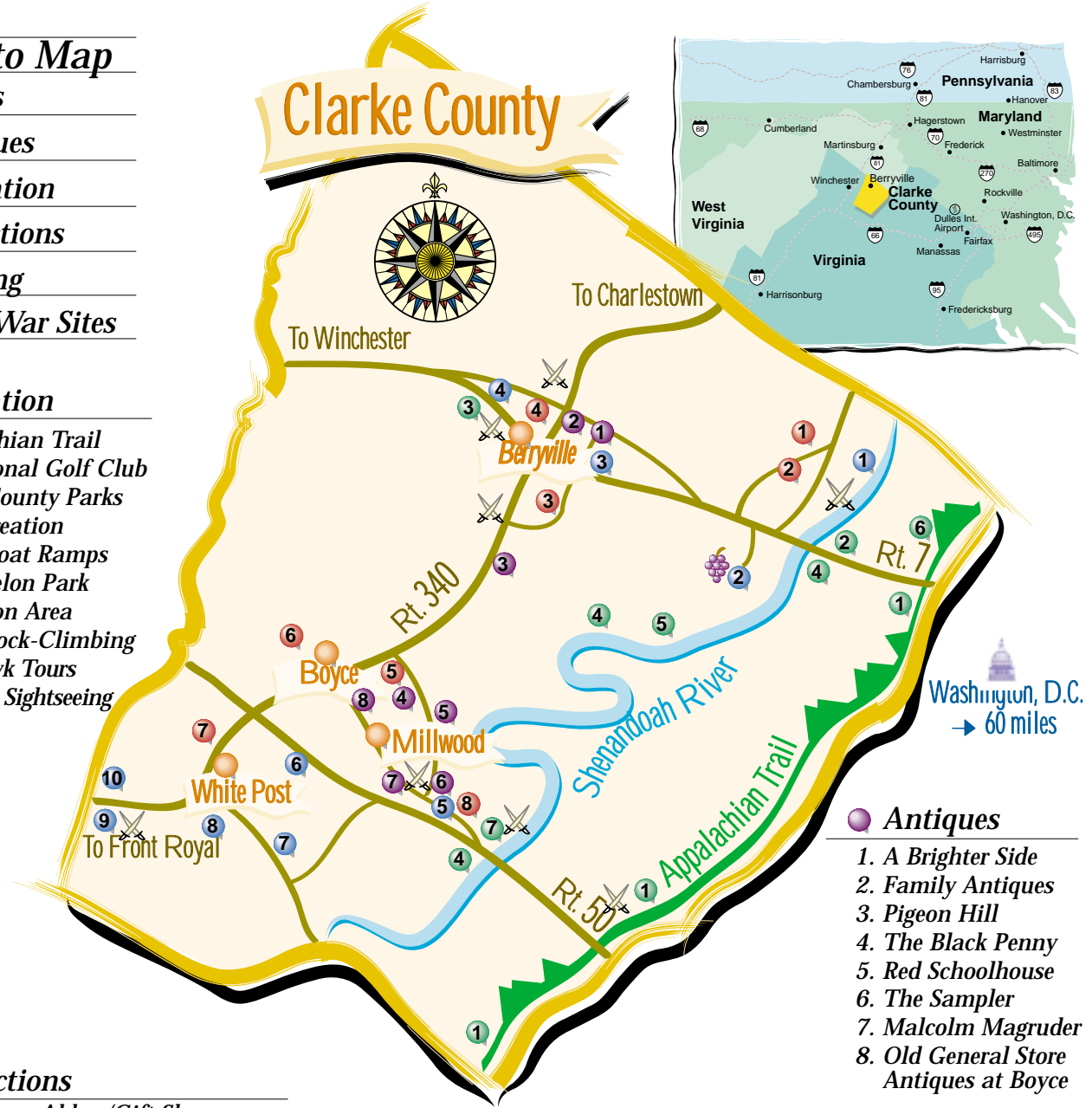
6. State Arboretum of Virginia

7. Historic Long Branch

8. White Post Restorations

9. Dinosaur Land

10. Shen-Valley Flea Market



- Lodging
1. Smithfield Farm B&B Special Events

2. Blue Ridge B&B

3. Lost Dog B&B

4. Battletown Inn

5. Black Penny B&B

6. Villa la Campagnette B&B

7. L'Auberge Provençal, Inn

8. Lockesly Manor Special Events

- Antiques
1. A Brighter Side

2. Family Antiques

3. Pigeon Hill

4. The Black Penny

5. Red Schoolhouse

6. The Sampler

7. Malcolm Magruder

8. Old General Store Antiques at Boyce

# Annual Events

## FALL

- Fall Foliage Tours
- Art Show at the Burwell-Morgan Mill
  - Hot Air Balloon & Wine Fest at Historic Long Branch
- Bike Tour of Clarke County
- Opening Meet of the Blue Ridge Hunt

## WINTER

- Clarke County Christmas Tree Lighting & Carol Sing
- Clarke County Christmas Parade
- Historic Long Branch Christmas Open House
- Christmas Bazaars Galore

• Rose Hill Park—Picnics & Concerts  
May thru September

